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## MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Meeting with Staff Members of the Senate Preparedness Investigating Subcommittee

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	Senate Preparedness Investigating Subcommittee, and briefed them on
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